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The Kent News:

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Job Printing of every description executed with neatness and dispatch.

TREES, PLANTS, AND VINES.

MY friends and customers will please recollect that I am still in the market, with a large and extensive assortment of

NURSERY STOCK.

PEACH TREES, and SMALL FRUIT PLANTS specialities.

N. BARNARD, Still Pond, Md.
Jan. 15—3m.*

FRUIT GROWERS LOOK TO YOUR INTEREST.

I am still in the market with a LARGE and GENUINE ARTICLE OF

FRUIT TREES,

Such as PEACH, grown in New Jersey by Pullen and Bilyeau, and DWARF, grown in New York, and the different varieties of Small fruits, such as RASPBERRY, BLACKBERRY, STRAWBERRY, GRAPES, and in fact every variety grown in a first class Nursery.

My Peach will compare in quality and genuineness with any in the U. S. In regard to Mr. S. G. Bilyeu's Fruit, we will offer Col. R. Wilkins as a reference. Among our list of Peaches we have three prime varieties of late Peach, two of them white with a beautiful blush, ripening with Smock, being much larger, and in color there is no comparison. We have a fine stock of the Salway, which is ten days later than Smock or Heath, a very fine size round Peach, with beautiful blush and perfectly free to the seed—the buds Mr. Bilyeu went to Europe to procure. Two other varieties are Keyport White and Steven's Rareripe.

I think I can furnish anything in the Nursery line as cheap and as good, and on as good terms as any other man in the county. From an experience of ten years in Nursery stock, I flatter myself I can furnish any article that can be procured from any other source. Feeling very thankful for past patronage, I still ask for a continuance of the same.

Any information concerning any of the different varieties gladly given by letter.

Please address JOSEPH C. RASIN,
d4tA1. Still Pond, Kent county, Md.

TO PEACH GROWERS.

The subscriber has for sale about *Thirty Thousand PEACH TREES*, of the best varieties. Trees warranted to be of the variety represented. Orders solicited.

ROBERT NICHOLSON,
Oct. 16—tf. near Hanesville.

FOR SALE,

60,000 PEACH TREES,

of prime quality, and very best orchard varieties. Also, 200,000 Osage Orange Quicks of superior growth.

F. H. TAYLOR,
s4tf. Galena, Kent county, Md.

LOOK HERE! LOOK HERE!

Look Here!

STANLEY & SON,
Opposite the Kent National Bank,

Are receiving a large and well selected stock of

NEW FURNITURE,

which they will sell at the lowest rates for CASH. They have ONE PRICE ONLY for their goods, and sell to all alike. Give them a call before purchasing elsewhere.

UNDERTAKING.

We are still engaged in the undertaking business, and are prepared to execute all orders in that line at the shortest notice, and will guarantee satisfaction both in price and quality of work.

STANLEY & SON,
d18-3m. Chestertown.

BOOT AND SHOE STORE

At Bell Air.

PHILIP DRUGAN would respectfully inform the citizens of Bell Air and its neighborhood, that he has on hand a

FINE ASSORTMENT OF

BOOTS and SHOES,

for Men and Boys. Also, Ladies' & Children's SHOES, GAITERS, BALMORALS, &c., which cannot fail to please. Prices low. Call and examine. d11-tf.

BOOTS, SHOES, Gaiters.

A NEW STOCK

JUST OPENED AT

COLLINS' BOOT & SHOE STORE.

JOHN W. COLLINS has just returned from the city with a new and fine assortment of BOOTS, SHOES, &c., which cannot fail to please purchasers. He calls especial attention to his goods for

Ladies and Children's Wear,

AND GENTS' FINE WORK.

Side-lace, Front-lace, Button and Congress GAITERS for Ladies, Misses and Children. Gents' fine Calf-skin Sewed Boots and Gaiters, English Walking Shoes, Slippers, &c.

Coarse Boots and Shoes of all kinds.

Also, a large assortment of

Children's Shoes,

of every description, to which the attention of parents is invited. Call and see.

BOOT and SHOE MANUFACTURING.

THE undersigned having removed to and opened a BOOT AND SHOE STORE on High Street adjoining the millinery store of Mrs. C. R. Fiddis, is prepared to make in the best workmanlike manner, Ladies and Gentlemen's Boots and Shoes of all styles.

My old customers and the public generally are invited to give me a call.

jan8-tf. JOHN A. FIDDIS.

BURNS & SLOAN,
132 Light Street Wharf,
BALTIMORE, MD.,

OFFER FOR SALE A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF WELL-SEASONED

Building Lumber

LATHS AND SHINGLES,
FENCING AND PALES,
ASH, OAK & WALNUT,
AT LOWEST PRICES.
ALSO, DOORS, SASH & BLINDS.

May 16, 1869—y.

PURCHASERS looking for Cheap and Serviceable *PANTS STUFF FOR WINTER WEAR*, should not fail to call at L. S. FOWLER'S, and examine his stock of Jeans, Sheeps Grey's Kerseys and Cassimeres, which he offers at low prices for the times. Nov. 6.

Farmers Look to Your Interest

AT THE

Galena Machine Shops

By W. A. HYLAND & CO.,

YOU CAN GET REAPERS, MOWERS, THRESHERS, HORSE POWERS, JACKS, CORN SHELLERS, CULTIVATORS, CULTIVATOR TEETH and PLOWS.

We have on hand about 15 TONS OF CASTINGS as good as can be bought in the State.

Also, ONE-HORSE POWERS, suitable for shelling Corn and other light work; a No. 1 article, as tested by some of our best Farmers.

REPAIRING of all kinds neatly and promptly attended to.

Old Iron wanted at market prices.

GIVE US A CALL. "Good Work and Fair Dealing" is our motto.

jan29 10m. W. A. HYLAND & CO.

Very Cheap Goods!

L. S. FOWLER

BEING desirous of reducing his stock of Goods still further, would especially invite the attention of all persons wishing to buy anything in his line

VERY CHEAP.

Needing money more than he does Goods, he will SELL AT A SACRIFICE FOR THE NEXT TWENTY DAYS.

A good stock of HATS is offered for sale very cheap, as he intends to close them out at prices to suit customers.

HARDWARE for Builders and others, is offered very low. Locks, Hinges, Bolts, Screws, Shutter Fasteners, Nails, Finishing Nails, Malleable Nails, Hinge Nails, Gate Hooks, Files, Hatchets, Augers, &c., *will be sold very cheap.*

WORSTED HOODS, Breakfast SHAWLS, Sontags, Children's Caps, and Ladies' Merino Vests, will be sold at reduced prices, by

Jan. 22. 1870. L. S. FOWLER.

Steam Mill in Chestertown.

THE subscriber having leased and put in complete order the STEAM MILL in Chestertown, is prepared to exchange or grind for the usual toll, all Wheat or Corn which may be sent or consigned to him, and promises to perform his duties with faithfulness and dispatch.

He will be at the Steamboat every day on her arrival and take charge of any grain sent to him, grind the same and have it put back on said boats, without charge for cartage.

He solicits a fair share of the public patronage and promises to give satisfaction to those who favor him with their custom.

jan29-3m. E. C. REICHE.

AGENT WANTED

EMPIRE MUTUAL Life Insurance Co.,
OF NEW YORK.

BRANCH OFFICE:—22 SECOND STREET, Opposite Post Office, Baltimore.

No restrictions upon residence, occupation, or travel.

All policies nonforfeitable and absolutely incontestable, after second premium.

Those contemplating Life Insurance will find themselves amply recompensed, in the end, by sending for free circular, &c. Persons of any honorable profession, or occupation having leisure hours, they wish to employ profitably, would do well to address,

A. PROSEUS, General Agent.
j15-2m. Baltimore, Md.

TO THE TAX-PAYERS Of the First District.

HAVING concluded that the taxable citizens of the First District may have forgotton that they owe taxes for 1869, I beg leave to remind them of that fact—and that unless they show some evidence of a disposition to pay them, I shall at an early day avail myself of the comfort of the law.

For the convenience of Tax Payers I will be at the following places on the days named:

At Galena on Mondays.
At Masseys on Wednesday mornings.
At Sassafras on Wednesday afternoons.
At Chesterville on Saturday mornings.
At Millington on Saturday afternoons.

oc23-tf. E. E. MILLER, Collector.

NEW MILLINERY GOODS.

Misses Middleton & Wyatt,

HAVE just returned from the city with a large assortment of

FASHIONABLE MILLINERY,

embracing BONNETS, HATS, FLOWERS, RIBBONS, FEATHERS, &c., &c., all of which are of the latest styles, and will be sold at the very lowest prices.

Our stock of FANCY GOODS cannot be surpassed in this market.

The Ladies are invited to call and see our goods before purchasing elsewhere.

Store adjoining T. W. Eliason & Son's.

NOTICE.—Persons indebted to us will confer a favor by making payment once. We are in want of money, and desire to close our books for last year.

Jan. 15, 1870—tf.

URIEVILLE GRIST AND SAW MILLS.

THE undersigned having rented the above well known Mills, takes this method of informing his friends and the public generally that he is now prepared to accommodate them in GRINDING and SAWING, having at both Mills competent and reliable men.

The Mills are in excellent condition for work, and all who favor him with their patronage may rely upon full justice in every respect being done them, and as good a turn-out of Grist as can be had at any Mill in the county.

jan8 2m L. L. ROLLISON.

A CARD.

FINDING the general notices to settle thro' the County papers overlooked or disregarded, and a determination to give those indebted to me another opportunity to make amicable settlement, I shall send C. W. WHALAND (my son,) with full instructions to close my books. I expect to send with him a prompt and accurate accountant who will render him any assistance. My books must be closed to the 21st day of January last, when I associated with Dr. Perkins. My duty demands it.

d18-tf. T. H. WHALAND.

General Jobbing and Carpentering

DONE BY

ARTHUR J. TOULSON.

SHOP over the Blacksmith Shop, near the Foundry. Particular attention paid to mending broken Tables and Furniture. Will also neatly varnish the same if desired. Venitian Blinds neatly repaired and hung. Desks, Wardrobes, Tables, Stands, Ironing Boards, Lap Boards, Clothes Racks, Gates, &c., made to order. Also, Saw Filing.

Patronage solicited. jan8 3m.

GARDEN SEED!

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Buy No More WORTHLESS SEED.

W. F. MASSEY & CO.'S unequalled Garden Seed, for sale at Wholesale and Retail at JOHN L. STAM & SON'S.

Merchants supplied with Seed in papers for retailing at as low prices as they can be bought in the cities; and our packets contain more and better seed than any ever before sold in this county.

Seed sent by mail, free of postage, on receipt of price. Prices on application to

W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
Feb. 12—tf. Chestertown.

French Hybrid Gladiolus Bulbs.

SPLENDID BULBS of mixed varieties of Gladiolus sent by mail postpaid from $1 to $2 per dozen. For sale also at J. L. Stam & Son's. Address W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
feb12-tf. Chestertown.

EARLY ROSE! EARLY ROSE!

EARLY ROSE POTATOES

THE BEST and most productive Early Potato ever grown, for sale by the peck, bushel and barrel, at

feb12tf. JOHN L. STAM & SON'S.

Osage Orange Seed.

PRIME, Fresh Seed, for sale at

JOHN L. STAM & SON'S,
feb12-tf. Chestertown.

Flower Seed! Flower Seed!

TEN VARIETIES of Annual Flower Seed put up in a neat box, with directions for cultivation, sent by mail on receipt of 75 cents. For sale also at John L. Stam & Son's.

Address W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
feb12-tf. Chestertown.

Sage Seed! Sage Seed!

BROAD LEAF SAGE SEED sent by mail, free of postage, on receipt of 50 cts. per oz. For sale also at J. L. Stam & Son's.

W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
feb12-tf. Chestertown.

Sage Plants.

SAGE PLANTS one year from the seed, at from 25 cts. to $1.00 per doz. The earlier these are transplanted in Spring the better will be the crop. "First come first served." No plants reserved unless paid for.

feb12tf. W. F. MASSEY.

To the Ladies!

MY NEW ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE OF *RARE and BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS* is now in press, and will be sent to all applicants enclosing stamp for postage.

fe12-tf. W. F. MASSEY.

Confectionery, Toys, &c.

JAMES H. SMITH,
HAS NOW IN STORE

A Large and General Assortment of Goods in his line, embracing

CONFECTIONERY of ALL KINDS,

and of the best quality.

A Handsome Stock of TOYS,

SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS.

Beautiful CHINA & GLASSWARE

Such as Vases, Pitchers, Toilet Sets, Perfume Bottels, large and small DOLLS, &c.

Also, Lamps and Chimneys, Hair Brushes, Combs, &c. Tobacco and Segars. Oranges, Lemons and Apples, Canned Fruit, Pickles, Chow Chow, French Mustard, Jellies, Tamarinds, Pepper Sauce, &c. Call and see for yourselves. Dec. 11, 1869.

Professional Notice.

DR. J. H. PRICE

HAVING located at the Trappe, offers his professional services to the surrounding community. Refers to a practice of four years at Hooversville, Anne Arundel co., Md.

Jan. 8, 1870—6m.

Medical Notice.

HAVING bought the house and lot at Belair lately belonging to Samuel B. Wheat, the subscriber has *permanently* located for the practice of Medicine and Surgery.

Special attention given to diseases of Women.

ja8-3m. A. SAPPINGTON, M. D.

Dwelling House on High St., FOR SALE OR RENT.

THE subscriber offers at private sale, or for rent for the present year, the DWELLING HOUSE on High Street, in Chestertown, occupied the past year by Mr. E. T. Willis. The house is very eligibly located near the river, and in a very desirable neighborhood. There is a fine Garden, and a Pump of good drinking water in the yard.

The terms will be made accommodating.

jan8-tf. J. W. HINES.

WOOD! WOOD!

W. F. BAKER, respectfully informs the public, that he has purchased the WOOD YARD of Mr. W. H. Hamilton, up town, and is now prepared to supply all in want with Pine, Oak, and Hickory wood, at the lowest prices. Orders left at my Store, Court Street, will receive prompt attention.

jan15-tf. WILLIAM F. BAKER.

ALDERNEY BULL FOR SALE.

I have a very fine, full bred, Young ALDERNEY BULL, out of a Cow imported by Ross Winans, Esq., which I will sell at a low price.

EDWARD WILKINS,
jan29-7t* Riverside.

FOR SALE.

200,000 OSAGE ORANGE QUICKS, of one year's growth, of prime quality.

Also, 50,000 two years old, of very fine size. For particulars address

S. H. CRAWFORD,
jan29-4m. Middletown, Del.

For Rent for 1870.

TWO HOUSES IN CHESTERTOWN, one on Queen Street, the other on High Street, Enquire of WM. VANNORT.

Nov. 20, 1869—tf.

EDWIN CROUCH, JR.,
MILLINGTON, MD.,

AGENT FOR THE SALE OF **Schuylkill Lime,**

Delivered at any landing on Sassafras or Chester Rivers. mh6-tf.

UNDER-SHIRTS and DRAWERS can be had at L. S. FOWLER'S at low prices.

DARE TO DO RIGHT!

Dare to do right! dare to be true,
You have a work that no other can do,
Do it so bravely, so kindly so well,
Angels will hasten the story to tell.

Dare to do right, dare to be true,
Other men's failures can never save you,
Stand by your conscience, your honor, your faith;
Stand like a hero and battle till death.

Dare to do right, dare to be true,
God, who created you, cares for you too;
Treasures the tears that his striving ones shed,
Counts and protects every hair of your head.

Dare to do right, dare to be true,
Keep the great judgment-seat always in view;
Look at your work as you'll look at it then—
Scanned by Jehovah, and angels and men.

Dare to do right, dare to be true,
Jesus, your Saviour, will carry you through;
City, and mansion, and throne all in sight,
Can you not dare to be true and do right?

THE HAPPY THRONG.

A beautiful home beyond the tide,
Where beautiful angels o'er reside;
A beautiful choir, with harps of gold,
Are caroling sweet with David of old,
Shouting Hosanna to the Lamb,
Glory and honor to His name.

In beautiful notes, this Easter-tide
They're chanting a song by Jesus' side,
And telling of rest in Heaven's pure light,
Where beautiful robes of spotless white
Are waiting for all the saints of peace,
Whose pilgrimage here ere long must cease.

This beautiful choir we soon shall join,
Singing with them this sweetest song:
Glory and honor, love and praise,
Jesus, be thine through endless days!
Saviour, whene'er our time shall come,
Take us, oh, take us to thy home.

Small Attentions.

How very few even of the people who are doing their best to please a particular individual give due weight to that mighty influence in obtaining the desired end, small attentions. The people who go through life with vast depths of affection for their relatives and friends, smothered volcanoes of feeling which never effervesce in little acts of kindness and good will, are apt to complain that their great natures are misunderstood, and the existence of their buried treasure considered as doubtful as those of Captain Kidd on Galveston Island—they may or may not be there; but until something more substantial than mere rumor is furnished as proof, there will continue to be skeptics. As long, however, as human nature is human nature, which will probably be for some time to come, the majority of persons will want positive evidence of the truth of their assertions. A man who declares himself to be a great painter, or poet, or sculptor, is not likely to be believed unless his canvass, poem or group of statuary bear him out. Why, then, should one be called upon to place perfect faith in a person who says: "I love you devotedly, but I really can't stoop to give you any evidence of it!"—Books, flowers, letters, all the pleasant amenities of life, are certainly unimportant in themselves, but they are evidences that one is unforgotten, and the compliment is none the less subtle and charming for being implied. Indeed, every one is touched and gratified by thoughtful attentions, and the use of them gives a certain color and glow to the every-day routine of the most commonplace existence, it is the fact which keeps the flame of love burning brightly, and the more intimately people are thrown together the greater necessity there is for cultivating the kindly fellings which are the result of small attentions A French writer describes very cleverly a young girl who had two suitors, a grave one who did little beside gape at her, and another who showed her a thousand courtesies daily One day, in walking across a bridge with them, her foot slipped and she fell into the river. Her serious lover plunged in and rescued her, but, upon proposing afterward, was rejected, upon the ground that she was not likely to be so near drowning again, while she would need and relish small attentions as long as she lived!

WE FADE.—We extract the following beautiful and truthful illustration from an exchange: "As the trials of life thicken, and the dreams of other days fade, one by one in the deep vista of disappointed hope, the heart grows weary of the struggle, and we begin to realize our insignificance. Those who have climed to the pinnacle of fame, or revel in luxury and wealth, go to the grave at last with the poor mendicant who begs by the wayside, and like him are soon forgotten. Generations, says an eloquent writer, have felt as we feel, and their fellows were as active in life as ours are now. They passed away as a vapor, while nature wore the same aspect of beauty as when the Creator commanded her to be. And so shall it be when we are gone. The heavens will be as bright over our grave as they are now around our path; the world will have the same attraction for offsprings yet unborn that she had once for ourselves, and that she has now for our children."

No trait of character is more valuable than the possession of good temper. Home can never be made happy without it. It is like flowers springing up in our pathway, reviving and cheering us. Kind words and looks are the outward demonstration; patience and forbearance are the sentinels within.

IT is the most momentous question a woman is ever called to decide, whether the faults of a man she loves will drag her down, or whether she is competent to be his earthly redeemer.

AN envious man repines as much at the manner in which his neighbors live as if he maintained them.

The Wanderer's Prayer.

On a cold, dreary evening in autumn, a small boy, poorly clad, yet cleanly, and tidy, with a pack upon his back, knocked at the door of an old Quaker in the town of S——, and inquired, "Is Mr. Lanman at home?"

"Yes."

The boy wished to see him, and was speedily ushered into the host's presence.

Friend Lanman was one of the wealthiest men in the county, and President of the railroad. The boy had come to see if he could obtain a situation on the road. He said that he was an orphan—his mother had been dead only two months, and he was now a homeless wanderer. But the lad was too small for the filling of any place within the Quaker's gift, and was forced to deny him. Still he liked the looks of the boy, and said to him:

"Thee may stop in my house to night, and on the morrow I will give the names of two or three good men in Philadelphia, to whom thee may apply with assurance of kind reception at least. I am sorry that I have no employment for thee."

Later in the evening the old Quaker went the rounds of his spacious mansion, lantern in hand, as was his wont, to see that all was safe, before retiring for the night. As he passed the door of the little chamber where the poor wandering orphan had been placed to sleep, he heard a voice. He stopped and listened, and distinguished the tones of a simple earnest prayer. He bent his ear nearer, and heard these words from the boy's lips:

"Oh, good Father in heaven! help me to help myself. Watch over me as I watch over my own conduct, and care for me as my deeds merit! Bless the good man in whose house I am sheltered for the night, and spare him long, that he may continue his bounty to other suffering ones. Amen."

And the Quaker responded another amen as he moved on; and as he went he meditated. The boy had a true idea of the duties of life, and poesessed a warm, grateful heart.

"I verily think that the lad will be a treasure to his employer," was the concluding reflection.

When the morning came the old Quaker changed his mind concerning his answer to the boy's application.

"Who learned thee to pray?" inquired Friend L.

"My mother, sir," was the soft reply. And the rich brown eyes grew moist.

"And thee will not forget thy mother's counsels?"

"I cannot for I know that my success in life is dependent upon them.

"My boy, thee mayest stay here in my house, and very soon I will take thee to my office. Go now and get thy breakfast."

Friend L. was gathered to the spirit harvest shortly after the breaking out of the war of the rebellion; but he lived to see the poor boy he had adopted rise step by step until he finally assumed the responsible office which the failing guardian could no longer hold. And to day there is no man more honored and respected by his friends, and none more feared by gamblers and speculators in irresponsible stock than is the once poor wanderer—now President of the best managed and most productive railway in the United States.

RECOLLECTIONS.—Time mellows ideas as well as it mellows wine. Things, in themselves indifferent, acquire a certain tenderness in recollection; and the scenes of our youth, though remarkable neither for elegance nor feeling, rise up to our memory dignified at the same time and endeared. As countryman in distant lands acknowledge one another as friends, so objects to which, when present, we gave but little attention, are nourished in distant remembrance with a cordial regard. If in their own nature of a tender kind, the ties which they had in the heart are drawn still closer, and we recall them with an enthusiasm of feeling which the same objects at the immediate time are unable to excite. The hum of a little tune, to which in our fancy we have often listened; the course of a brook which, in our childhood we have frequently traced; the ruins of an ancient building which we remember almost entire—these remembrances sweep over the mind with an enchanting power of tenderness and melancholy, at whose bidding the pleasures, the business, the ambition of the present moment fade and disappear. Our finer feelings are not more grateful to the fancy than moral to the mind.—Of this tender power which remembrance has over us several uses might be made; this divinity of memory, did we worship it aright, might lend its aid to our happiness as well as our virtue.

QUEER.—We never make a greater mistake than when we suppose that other people ought to be as we are; ought to have our habits, our ideas, our style, and our views. We often hear people express surprise at the queer ways of persons; just as though every blade of grass was not queer to the briar, and every briar queer to the rose, and every rose queer to other flowers. All leaves are queer to each other; every grain of dust is queer; and no two faces, no two minds, no two characters are alike. And that is queer too. Persons who do not think other people are queer, are very queer people.

MEN are born with two eyes, but with one tongue, in order that they should see twice as much as they say; but from their conduct one would suppose that they were born with two tongues and one eye, for those talk the most who have observed the least.

AMONG the graduates from the Girl's High School were five "Sallies," one Sadie, but not a single Sarah.

A Rich Scene at a Wedding.

THE BRIDEGROOM GETS DRUNK AND THE "BEST MAN" TAKES THE BRIDE.

The Port Hope *Canadian* says that a couple residing in the rural districts, not far from town, were engaged to be married, and the usual announcement to that effect made in one of the town churches. On the day appointed for the celebration of the ceremony which was to "make the twain one flesh," the happy couple came to town arrayed in all the glory of new store clothes, bringing with them a brother of the bridegroom, who was to officiate as "best man," and who, the result proved, was fully entitled to that character.

Leaving the blushing damsel in the charge of his brother, the intended husband adjourned to a bar-room to get "something hot" to cheer his spirits under the trying ordeal through which he was to pass. Here he met some friends, and amid the congratulations with which he was overwhelmed, partook of more than was necessary for the purpose of elevating his courage to the proper point, and soon became oblivious to all sublunary matters, wedding parts, bride, prospective domestic bliss, and all.

After waiting a reasonable time for his re-appearance, the affianced and the rest of the party grew uneasy, and finally an expedition was organized to go in search of him. They discovered him in a tavern, in a comatose condition, and reported that fact in the proper quarter. The bride bore up bravely under this trial, declaring that she did not care a cent; he was a good-for-nothing drunken wretch, and she was glad to get clear of him. Moreover she was not going to be humbugged that way out of getting a husband. She came to town to get married, and married she was determined to be, to the first man who would take her. Rather than see the girl disappointed about a trifle like that, the brother who came to do the "best man" business volunteered to be her victim himself. The bargain was soon made, and off he started to get a license, returning in a short time, when they were married and started for home—leaving the other individual to enjoy his little spree as best he could.

The affair has created much talk and no little merriment among those acquainted with the facts, and the intended husband is now having a rough time of it among the wags.

AN ANCIENT LAW IN CONNECTICUT.—The Hartford *Courant* exhumes the annexed law which it says was passed by a "general court" which sat in that city in 1664:

"For in as much as it is observed, that many abuses are crept in and committed by frequent taking of tobacko:

"*It is authorized by the authority of this courte*, That no person under the age of 21 years, nor any other that hath not already accustomed himselfe to the use thereof, shall take any tobacko until hee hath brought a certificate under the hands of some who are approved for knowledge and skill in phisick, that it is usefule for him, and allso, that hee hath received a lycense from the courte for the same. And for the regulating of those, who either by their former taking it, have to their own apprehensions, made it necessary to them, or upon due advice, are persuaded to the use thereof.

"*It is ordered*, That no man within this colonye, after the publication hereof, shall take any tobacko, publiquely, in the street, highwayes, or any barne yards, or upon training days, in any open places, under the penalty of six-pence for each offence against this order, in any the perticulars thereof, to bee paid without gainsaying upon conviction, by the testimony of one witness, that is without just exception, before any one magistrate. And the constables in the severall townes are required to make presentment to each perticular courte, of such as they doe understand, and can evict to be transgressors of this order."

TO SECURE TENDER MUTTON.—The *Practical Farmer* says: "Conversing recently with a prominent sheep breeder of New York, who had traveled extensively in England and on the Continent, we inquired his opinion as to the cause of superiority of the English and continental mutton over what is usually found in the American market. He had been struck with this himself, and made it a point of especial attention in visiting large flocks, to inquire as to the most approved modes of feeding and management of sheep.

The answer to our question was all comprised in a single sentence, they feed turnips, and with their aid a three or four year old wether, an age which in this country would require nearly a twelve hours' stew to make it eatable, eats as tender as chicken.

Now we want to impress this fact upon the breeders, that if they want to collect a crowd around their stalls, and get a reputation for a tender and juicy mutton, they must raise ruta bagas and turnips—a practice which they are about as free from being guilty of in this section, at least, as raising flax or hemp."

A CURE FOR THE WHOOPING COUGH.—An M. D. writes: "Thousands of children in this city, especially those of German parentage, are suffering from whooping cough, and I wish to call the public attention to the following simple remedy: To one ounce of the dried leaves of the common chesnut-tree, add a quart of boiling water, and when the infusion is cold give a cupful three times a day, the last dose being given when the patient retires. After twenty-four or thirty six hours the patient will be relieved, and then the dose may be administered in smaller quantity."

MARRIAGE IN JOKE TURNING OUT HAPPILY.—The St. Louis *Republican* relates the following: Thirty years ago, when Charles, Illinois, was in an embryo state, Dick Stoddard was caught napping for the first time. Dick was at a party, a country dance, and had been playing his tricks on the boys and girls, when it was proposed to enliven the company with a matrimonial scene. All things being ready, save the bride and groom, two very essential parts of the ceremony, they were soon procured in the persons of the aforesaid Dick and the beautiful and accomplished Miss—, the belle of the whole country, who like Dick, was full of fun and of a romantic disposition. The license was easily procured, so was the justice. The ceremony was performed, and the bride and groom pronounced husband and wife. This of course was considered the joke of the season. Dick and his bride enjoyed it, so did the spectators. The justice, however, had performed the ceremony, had the license, and knew the penalty for a failure to return it, as the law directs and being sworn to discharge the duties incumbent upon him as a Justice of the Peace, was legally and morally bound to return the license to the County Clerk, which he did, and where it is to this day, with his certificate properly endorsed thereon to the effect that he had "duly joined in the bonds of holy wedlock" the parties aforesaid. Dick and his wife soon learned that what they had conceived to be a joke was a sad or joyful reality. So the matter was talked over, and they concluded to make the best of it.—They have been living together ever since, blessed with a bountiful supply of this world's good—a large family and a host of friends and as Dick says, they have been enjoying the joke ever since.

—"PRETTY time of night, Mr. M——, for you to come home; pretty time, three o'clock in the morning; you a respectable man in the community, and the father of a family." "'Tisn't three—it's only one; I heard it strike. Council always sits till one o'clock." "My soul! Mr. M——, you're drunk—as true as I'm alive you're drunk. It's three in the morning." "I say, Mrs. M——, it's one. I heard it strike one as I came round the corner. *two or three times.*" His spouse could say no more, so she retired.

FRANKLIN OUTDONE.—Ben Franklin once wrote—

"He who by the plow would thrive,
Himself must either hold or drive."

These lines were very popular in their day, and even now they are occasionally quoted by old fogies. But some person has eclipsed them in the following:

"He who by his biz would rise,
Must either bust or advertise."

A RICHMOND girl hinted to a gentleman that her thimble was nearly worn out, and asked what reward she should receive for her industry. He made answer next day by sending her a new one, with the following lines:

I send a thimble for fingers nimble,
Which I hope will fit when you try it;
It will last you long, if it's half as strong
As the hint which you gave me to buy it.

"MY DEAR ELLEN," said a young man, "I have long wished for this sweet opportunity, but I hardly dare trust myself to speak the deep emotions of my heart; but I declare to you, my dear Ellen, that I love you most tenderly. Your smiles would shed—would shed—" "Never mind the wood shed," said Ellen, "but go on with your pretty talk."

A YOUNG man in Indiana worked all last summer to clear an eighty-acre tract of land belonging to a young woman who had promised to marry him. When, just as the weather began to get cold, he went to claim his reward, she married another fellow who had looked on while the victim was working.

TITLES are easily "got up" out west. Let a man treat a crowd four times, and he is made a full-breasted General at once. Four glasses of burgundy will turn out a Colonel, and a single "drink" a Captain. If you want to grow fat on titles, take the first train for out west.

A GENTLEMAN of Rochester, N. H., saw an advertisement that a receipt for the cure of dyspepsia might be had by sending a postage stamp to the advertiser. He was a victim, and sent his postage stamp. The answer was: "Dig in your garden and let whiskey alone."

JOSH BILLINGS says: Az a gineral thing a man who marries a woman of more uppercrust than himself, will find the woman more anxious tew preserve the distance between them than tew bring him up tew her grade or go down to his level.

A sardonic opponent of 'womans rights' says it is a great convenience to have women as postmistresses. They can not only inform an applicant if there is a letter for him, without looking, but can tell him what's in it.

SOME of the newspapers have "a word for the loafer" on the ground that he has nothing to do with the rise in breadstuffs, and, above all, that he seeks to do no man's work, or deprive his fellow being of his situation.

IT is reported that a young lady out West, who recently received an unprecedentedly large verdict in a breach of promise case, has engaged herself to eleven of the twelve jurymen who gave her the money.

AN Irishman on board a vessel when she was on the point of foundering, being desired to come on deck, as she was going down, replied that he had no wish to see himself drowned.

A NEVADA city merchant advertises, "Old rags of a greenish hue, embellished with Chase's photographs, cheerfully accepted in payment for stock."

A HUSBAND has applied for a divorce on the ground that his wife is more chignon, false teeth and padding than woman.

A LADY recently drew a gentleman's wrapper at a raffle and now she wants to draw a man to put in it.

A SICK young lady in Worcester, Mass., who has been attended by thirteen physicians, still lives.

A strange reason for having folding-doors in a house, is that "they are so handy in case of a funeral!"

A CONSCIENTIOUS gambler in Chicago gives ten per cent. of his winnings to the Orphan Asylum.

WHAT is the first thing a lady does when she falls into the water? Gets wet.